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In response to the Office Action mailed October 29, 2003, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks. Being filed herewith is a Request for Extension of Time of one month, together with the small entity fee therefore. No additional extensions of time are believed to be necessary, but if any are deemed to be due, please charge the small entity fees therefore to Deposit Account 23-3030.

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